Climate Change and International Security Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Political Science and International Relations	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, you will be able to:

1. Analyze the **geopolitical implications** of climate change on a global scale.
2. Identify climate-related **security risks** and their impact on state stability and human security.
3. Evaluate the role of **resource scarcity**, particularly water and food, as a driver of conflict.
4. Understand the dynamics of **climate-induced migration** and its security challenges.
5. Assess the vulnerabilities of military and critical infrastructure to **extreme weather events**.
6. Formulate strategies for **climate-resilient peacebuilding** and conflict prevention.
7. Integrate **climate risk analysis** into security policy and strategic planning.
8. Examine the role of **climate diplomacy** and international cooperation in mitigating security threats.
9. Develop effective **transboundary water management** and resource-sharing agreements.
10. Advise on **climate adaptation** and **mitigation strategies** for the security sector.
11. Apply a **gender and social inclusion lens** to climate-security analysis.
12. Design and implement **climate-smart** security and development interventions.
13. Leverage **early warning systems** and data analytics to anticipate climate-security hotspots.

Target Audiences

- Security Professionals
- Policymakers and Diplomats.
- Humanitarian and Development Workers.
- Academics and Researchers.
- Defense Planners
- Corporate Risk Managers.
- Journalists and Analysts
- Civil Society Advocates

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Module 1: The Climate-Security Nexus: An Introduction

- Defining the **climate-security nexus** and its significance.
- Climate change as a **threat multiplier** and its links to instability.
- **Conceptual frameworks:** human security vs. state security.
- The role of the UN Security Council and other international bodies.
- **Case Study:** The conflict in Darfur, Sudan, and its links to drought and desertification.

Module 2: Resource Scarcity and Conflict Pathways

- **Water scarcity** and its potential for transboundary conflict.
- The impact of **food insecurity** on social unrest and political instability.
- Competition over land, fisheries, and other natural resources.
- Resource governance and its role in conflict prevention.
- **Case Study:** The Lake Chad Basin crisis and its relationship with climate change and resource competition.

Module 3: Climate Migration and Human Displacement

- Understanding **climate-induced migration** and its complex drivers.
- Security implications of internal and cross-border displacement.
- Vulnerabilities of host communities and displaced populations.
- Legal and policy frameworks for managing climate migrants.
- **Case Study:** The security challenges in Central America linked to climate change, crop failure, and subsequent migration to the U.S.

Module 4: Military Readiness and Infrastructure Vulnerability

- Impact of rising sea levels and extreme weather on military bases.
- Threats to critical infrastructure, including energy and communication networks.
- The role of military forces in disaster relief and humanitarian assistance.
- Strategies for enhancing **military climate resilience**.
- **Case Study:** The impact of Hurricane Michael on Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida.

Module 5: Climate-Resilient Peacebuilding and Diplomacy

- Integrating climate considerations into peace negotiations and agreements.
- The role of **climate diplomacy** in fostering international cooperation.
- Environmental peacebuilding: using shared environmental challenges to build trust.
- Multilateral and regional climate-security initiatives.
- **Case Study:** The role of environmental cooperation in reducing tensions between Jordan and Israel over water resources.

Module 6: Governance and Policy Frameworks

- Developing national **climate-security strategies**.
- The role of civil society and NGOs in influencing policy.
- Legal challenges and opportunities under international law.
- Designing and implementing effective governance structures.
- **Case Study:** The Norwegian government's approach to integrating climate risks into its defense policy.

Module 7: Future Trends and Emerging Threats

- The security implications of the **Arctic melting**.

- The nexus between **climate change and terrorism**.
- Geopolitical competition over **renewable energy** technologies.
- Emerging threats from climate engineering and geoengineering.
- **Case Study:** Rising geopolitical tensions in the Arctic region.

Module 8: Actionable Strategies and Best Practices

- Developing a **climate risk assessment** for a specific region.
- Designing an integrated **climate-security intervention**.
- Practical tools for monitoring and evaluating program effectiveness.
- Building partnerships for **transboundary environmental cooperation**.
- **Case Study:** The UN Environment Programme?ÇÖs (UNEP) work in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), focusing on how climate and environmental degradation contribute to conflict and how peacebuilding can be integrated with climate adaptation.

Training Methodology

This course employs a dynamic, interactive methodology combining:

- **Expert-Led Lectures and Discussions:** Foundational knowledge delivered by leading experts in climate science and security studies.
- **Interactive Workshops and Simulation Exercises:** Participants engage in practical scenarios to apply theoretical concepts.
- **Case Study Analysis:** In-depth examination of real-world conflicts and crises to understand the climate-security nexus.
- **Group Project Work:** Collaborative problem-solving sessions to design climate-resilient security strategies.
- **Guest Speaker Sessions:** Insights from practitioners in the field, including military officials, diplomats, and humanitarian leaders.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000

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